

# BILLS WHICH COST STATE \$50,000; NOT WORTH IT

## Complete List of the Measures Enacted By the Last Legislature Which Have Become Laws.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

The following is a list of all the measures passed by the second legislature. Either approved by the governor or permitted by him to become laws without his signature:

1. S. B. 160.—An Act to amend Section 5302, Title 53, of the Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Relating to Trustees of Government Townships, the Settlement of Accounts to Such Trustees and Payment by them of Funds in their Hands as Such Township Trustees to the Corporation or Persons Entitled thereto. Emergency Approved March 22, 1915.

Chapter 1. H. B.—An Act making an appropriation for the current and contingent expenses of carrying on and conducting and defraying the expenses of the State Legislature of the State of Arizona for the session of 1915. Emergency, approved January 14, 1915.

2. S. B. 1.—An Act extending the time for the payment of the State County and School Taxes assessed for the year 1914, and remitting penalties and fines for non-payment of the same. Emergency, approved January 29, 1915.

3. S. B. 17.—An Act providing for an appropriation to pay the deficit of the Arizona State Fair for the fiscal year 1914 and 1915. Emergency, approved February 3, 1915.

4. S. B. 5.—An Act to amend Paragraph 237 of Chapter XXVII, Title 1, of the Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, pertaining to provisions common to all officers. Approved February 12, 1915.

5. H. B. 4.—An Act to provide for the Changing of County Seats and the Proceedings thereof, and for Elections to Determine such change. Emergency. Became law without the Governor's signature, February 23, 1915.

6. H. B. 23.—An Act to amend Paragraph 3234, Chapter II, Title XV, Revised statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, entitled "Fees and Salaries of County and other officers." Emergency. Became law without Governor's signature, February 23, 1915.

7. H. B. 18.—An Act Providing for the Appointment of Assistant Clerks of the Boards of Supervisors in Counties of the Fourth Class. Emergency. Became law without the Governor's signature, February 23, 1915.

8. H. B. 87.—An Act to Establish Fish-Hatching and Fish-Cultural Stations in Arizona. Approved February 24, 1915.

9. S. B. 46.—An Act to Amend Paragraph 4408 of the Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Relating to Registration of all Births and Deaths in the State of Arizona. Approved February 26, 1915.

10. S. B. 36.—An Act to amend Paragraph 3768 of Chapter I of Title 30 of the Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Entitled "Live Stock." Approved February 26, 1915.

11. H. B. 36.—An Act to amend Paragraph 2729, Chapter VIII, Title II, Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Providing for Hours of Opening and Closing the Polls at School Elections. Approved February 26, 1915.

12. S. B. 20.—An Act to amend Paragraph 3335, Chapter I, Title 22, Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Relating to Referendum Petitions Against Ordinances, Franchises or Resolutions in Cities and Towns. Emergency, Approved March 1, 1915.

13. S. B. 30.—An Act to amend Paragraph 3239, Chapter II, Title 1913, Civil Code, Relating to Salaries of County officers in Counties of the Twelfth Class. Emergency. Became law without Governor's signature, March 1, 1915.

14. S. B. 31.—An Act providing for the Sinking of an Experimental Artesian Well for Water in Hualapai Valley, Mohave County, Arizona, for the Encouragement of Agriculture in the Arid Sections of the State. Approved March 2, 1915.

15. S. B. 41.—An Act to amend Paragraph 1954 of the Revised Statutes of Arizona for 1913, being Section 2 of the Improvement Act of the Legislature of Arizona for 1912, which Section Authorizes and Empowers Legislative bodies of Municipalities to order Street Improvements and other Work Incidental

thereto, Including the Construction of Storm Water Drains over Rights of Way obtained for such Purpose, so as to Include, in Addition to the Improvements authorized by said Section, the Construction, Reconstruction or Repair of Tunnels, Subways, Viaducts, Conduits on Streets or Lands of the Municipality or Rights of Way therefor: Also Siphons, Steps, Parkways, Parkways, Pipes, Hydrants and Appliances for Fire Protection, Sewers, Ditches, Drains, Conduits, Pipe Lines and Channels for Sanitary and Drainage Purposes, with Outlets, Cess Pools, Manholes, Catch Basins, Flush Tanks, Septic Tanks, Connecting Ditches, Drains, Conduits Channels and other Appurtenances, Also Ditches, Canals, Conduits, Pipe Lines and Siphons, Together with the Necessary or Usual Appurtenances for Carrying Storm Water or Water from Irrigation Ditches, Water Courses, Streams or Springs into, Through or out of Such Municipality: with an Emergency Clause. Emergency. Became law without Governor's signature March 3, 1915.

16. S. B. 21.—An Act giving Cities and Incorporated towns the power to Encourage Immigration, New Industries and Investments therein and to Print and Distribute Books, Pamphlets and Maps Advertising their Advantages. Approved March 4, 1915.

17. H. B. 53.—An Act establishing a Bureau of Mines of the State of Arizona: providing for the Control and Management of said Bureau of Mines; providing for the appointment of a director of said Bureau and fixing his Qualifications; Providing for the Objects, Duties and Purposes of said Bureau of Mines and Providing for Annual Appropriation for the Support and Maintenance of said Bureau of Mines of the State of Arizona. Approved on March 4, 1915.

18. S. B. 122.—An Act to Transfer a Sum of Money from the General Fund to the State Road Tax Fund, Yavapai County Portion, and Providing for Repayment to the General Fund. Emergency. Approved March 5, 1915.

19. S.B.—An Act to provide for the Purchasing and Sale of Certain Serums for the Treatment of Contagious or Infectious diseases of Live Stock and Making an Appropriation therefor. Approved March 5, 1915.

20. S. B. 27.—An Act to provide for the Laying out, Opening, Extending, Widening, Straightening or Closing up in Whole or in Part, of Public Streets, Subways, Squares, Lanes, Alleys, Courts, Places, and Rights of Way for Water Courses, Irrigation Ditches, Pipe Lines, Water Mains and Sewers for Sanitary and Drainage Purposes, within Municipalities, for the Condemnation of Property Necessary or Convenient for such Purposes, and for the Establishment of Assessment Districts and the Assessment of Property therein to Pay the Expenses of such Improvements, with an Emergency Clause. Emergency. Became law without Governor's signature March 6, 1915.

21. H. B. 32.—An Act authorizing the Issuance of Marriage Licenses and Solemnizing of Marriage Ceremonies by Superintendents of Indian Schools or Agencies within the State of Arizona. Approved March 6, 1915.

22. H. B. 12.—An Act Amending Paragraphs 4892, 4895, 4908, 4911, 4912, 4913, 4914 and 4917, Title XLIX Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, so as to Provide for the Semi-Annual Payment of Taxes, Assessment of Taxes, Time of Entering Delinquent Taxes on "Back Tax Book," Collection of Delinquent Taxes, and Correction of "Back Tax Book." Approved March 10, 1915.

23. S. B. 104.—An Act relating to the Sale of Cold Storage Eggs.

24. S. B. 80.—An Act directing the Sale of Certain Parcels or Pieces of Land with the Buildings thereon, Known as the "Old Industrial School Property" Located near the Town of Benson, in Cochise County, Arizona, and Providing for the Disposal of the Proceeds of such Sale. Approved March 9, 1915.

25. S. B. 34.—An Act providing for the Acceptance of an Act of Congress Approved May 8, 1914, Entitled "An Act to Provide for Co-operation Agricultural Extension work between the Agricultural Colleges in the Several States Receiving the Benefit of an Act of Congress Approved July 2, 1862, and of Acts Supplemental thereto, and the United States Department of Agriculture," Further Known as the Smith-Lever Act; and Permitting Supplementary Appropriations by County Boards of Supervisors. Approved March 9, 1915.

26. Sub-S. B. 2.—An Act to amend Section 638 of Title 6, Chapter XXIII Revised Statutes of Arizona 1913, Civil Code, Relating to Costs. Approved March 9, 1915.

27. S. B. 19.—An Act to amend Paragraphs 2864 and 2865 of the Revised Statutes of 1913, Providing for Improvement of Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Places, Courts, Avenues, Boulevards, Highways, and Public Ways adjacent to property owned by School Districts and High School Districts and for Assessing the Property situated within such Districts and Issuing bonds to pay for said improvements so as to Provide for the Levy and Collection of the Assessments made and the Issuance of Bonds, Hereafter or Hereafter Voted for said Improvements as School District Taxes are levied and Collected and other Bonds of School Districts are Issued. Approved March 9, 1915.

28. H. B. 55.—An Act for the Relief of Dr. W. G. Randall for Services as Physician at the State Prison from January 16 to April 3, 1913. Approved March 9, 1915.

29. H. B. 64.—An Act authorizing the Transfer of a Portion of the Appropriation Provided by Chapter 59 of the Acts of the First Legislature of the State of Arizona, Second Special Session, 1913, and Transferring Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars Heretofore Appropriated to Defray the Necessary Expenses of the Arizona State Land Commission in Carrying into Effect the Provisions of Section Two (2), Chapter 96 of the Regular Session of the First Legislature of the State of Arizona, 1912, for the Use in the Sinking of a Well or Wells and Equipping the same with a Pumping Plant, in the Colorado River Indian Reservation, Yuma County, Arizona, for the Purpose of Ascertaining the Extent of the Underground Water Supply on Certain School Land Sections Contained Within said Indian Reservations. Approved March 9, 1915.

30. H. B. 111.—An Act Adopting State Colors for the State of Arizona. Approved March 9, 1915.

31. H. B. 22.—An Act to repeal An Act Providing an Appropriation for the Purchase of a Work Entitled, "The North American Indian" and transferring said appropriation to the Arizona Historian for the support and maintenance of his office. Approved March 9, 1915.

32. H. B. 45.—An Act to amend Paragraph 3240, Chapter II, Title XV, of the Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Entitled "Fees and Salaries of County and Other Officers in Counties of the Thirteenth Class." Emergency. Became law without the Governor's signature March 10, 1915.

33. S. B. 8.—An Act for the Relief of Certain Wholesale and Retail Liquor Dealers in the State of Arizona. Emergency. Became law without Governor's signature March 11, 1915.

34. H. B. 56.—An Act making an Appropriation in Aid of the Construction of a Road Connecting Certain Bridges on the San Carlos Indian Reservation in Graham County. Approved March 11, 1915.

35. Sub-S. B. 68.—An Act to amend Paragraph 5147 and 5148 of Chapter 9, Title 50 of Revised Statutes of Arizona, Civil Code (Chapter 53 Laws 1913, 3rd Special Session, State of Arizona). Approved March 11, 1915.

36. H. B. 124.—An Act for the Relief of Paul C. Thorne, Court Reporter to Supreme Court of the State of Arizona. Approved March 15, 1915.

37. H. B. 129.—An Act to Provide an Appropriation for the Repair of the Borderland Highway in the Several Counties Traversed; to Provide for the Appointment of the Same and the Manner in which it is to be used. Approved March 15, 1915.

38. H. B. 145.—An Act Appropriating the Sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars for Each of the Years 1915 and 1916 to be Expended for Conducting During said years the Northern Arizona Fair, at Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, and to Acquire and Pay for the Grounds for the use of said Fair.

39. H. B. 62.—An Act for the Relief of Herman J. Parmley and Mrs. K. Holmes and Appropriating the Sum of One Thousand One Hundred and Seventy-Seven Dollars and Twenty Cents (1,177.20) as Full Compensation for Loss of Certain Inmates of the State Industrial School. Approved March 15, 1915.

40. S. B. 103.—An Act Providing for the Building of a Bridge Across Santa Cruz River in Santa Cruz County and Making an Appropriation

therefore. Approved March 15, 1915.

41. S. B. 4.—An Act to amend Paragraphs 3192, 3197 and 3199 of Chapter I, Title XV, of the Revised Statutes of Arizona 1913, Pertaining to the fees and Salaries of County and Other Officers. Approved March 16, 1915.

42. H. B. 46.—An Act to amend Paragraph 5249, Chapter VII, Title LI Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Providing for the Sale of Stocks and Commodities in Bulk.

43. S. B. 128.—An Act to amend Paragraph 2394 of the Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Relating to County Charges. Approved March 16, 1915.

44. H. B. 61.—An Act to amend VI, Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Giving Justices of the Peace Exclusive Original Jurisdiction to try and determine certain Civil Actions. Approved March 16, 1915.

45. H. B. 38.—An Act to amend Paragraph 51114, Chapter VI, Title L, Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Relating to the Levy and Collection of Road Taxes in Special Road Districts and Empowering the Board of Supervisors to Apportion the same. Approved March 18, 1915.

46. H. B. 114.—An Act to amend Paragraph 3404 in Title XXIV, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Arizona, Civil Code, 1913, and to Provide for the Separate Statement and report to the Corporation Commission by Fire Insurance Companies of all Moneys Received by them for Premiums from Fire Insurance upon Property within the Corporate Limits of each of the Cities of the State, having a population of 3,000 or over; and providing for the payment of Fifty Per Cent of the Tax now Payable by Law Arising out of the Fire Insurance upon property within the Corporate Limits of Each of Said Cities to the Governing Bodies thereof to be used for Providing or Maintaining a System of Fire Protection therein, and for the relief of disabled paid or volunteer firemen. Approved March 22, 1915.

47. S. B. 47.—An Act amending Paragraph 3532 of the Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, which Paragraph Provides for the Docketing of Judgments Rendered in the Superior Courts of this State in Counties Other than that in which the Judgment is Rendered, so as to Provide also for the Docketing of the Judgments of the Federal Courts in this State in Counties Other than that in which the judgment is rendered, and so as to provide that a Certified Statement may be Presented to the Clerk of the Court, in which the Judgment is to be docketed in Place of a transcript of the Original Docket, and that such transcript or statement may be Certified by the Deputy Clerk as well as by the Clerk. Approved March 22, 1915.

48. S. B. 52.—An Act to amend Sections 2881, 2882, 2885, 2906, 3018 and 3019 of the Civil Code, Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, so as to Provide that all Persons who Register for the Purpose of Voting shall Specify the Political Party with which such Persons are Affiliated and shall only vote for Candidates at Primary Elections Representing the Party with which such Persons are Affiliated, with an Emergency. Approved March 22, 1915.

49. H. B. 90.—An Act Providing for the Formation of Electrical Districts in the Various Counties of the State, the Organization thereof, the election of officers, the raising of revenue, providing for the Erection of Transmission Lines, Defining and Limiting the Powers and Duties of Trustees and Providing for the issuance of Bonds. Approved March 22, 1915.

50. H. B. 171.—An Act to make an Appropriation of Two Hundred Dollars for the Purpose of Securing the Painting of Portraits of Certain Statu and Legislative Officials. Approved March 22, 1915.

51. S. B. 37.—An Act Relating to the Taxation of Mutual Building and Loan Associations and Mutual Building and Loan Corporations, and the Shares thereof. Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

52. S. B. 74.—An Act to amend Paragraphs 1955, 1957 and 1960 of Chapter XLIII, Title VII of the Revised Statutes of Arizona of 1913, relative to Improvement of Streets. Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

53. S. B. 40.—An Act to Provide for the Correction and Modification of Assessments, and the Correction of Errors and Irregularities in Bonds heretofore or hereafter made or issued for Local Improvements under Chapter 13, Title 7, Revised Statutes of Arizona of 1913. Being the Improvement Act of the Legislature of Arizona for 1912 and Amendments thereof; and for the Division of said Bonds so that Portions of the Assessment Represented thereby shall be Several Liens on Respective Portions of the Act, Piece or Parcel of Land therein Described; with an Emergency Clause. No Emergency—Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

54. S. B. 135.—An Act to amend

Paragraph 5104, of Chapter 5, of Title 50, of the Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code. Emergency—Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

56. H. B. 74.—An Act to regulate Barbering on Sunday and Providing a Penalty for the Violation of this Act. Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

57. S. B. 38.—An Act Remitting to Mutual Building and Loan Associations and their Stockholders all Unpaid Taxes Assessed upon Stock held in such Associations for the Years 1913 and 1914; and Providing for the Assessment of Real Property of Mutual Building and Loan Associations which Escaped Assessment for the Years 1913 and 1914 and Placing same on the 1915 Assessment Rolls. Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

58. S. B. 143.—An Act to Repeal 57-D and to amend Section 26 of An Act "To Provide for the Supervision and Regulation of Insurance Companies and to Regulate the Transaction of Insurance Business in the State of Arizona" Passed and Adopted May 13, 1913, and which became a Law May 31, 1913; the same being Paragraphs 3445 and 3409 of the Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913. Emergency—Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

59. S. B. 76.—An Act to amend Section 1001, Chapter 3, Title 8 of the Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Penal Code, Entitled "Removal of Action before Trial." Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

60. H. B. 148.—An Act to amend Paragraphs 3264, 3265, 3266, 3267, 3269, 3271, Chapter II, Title XVII, Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Relating to Fire Companies in Unincorporated Cities and Towns. Emergency—Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

61. H. B. 48.—An Act to amend Paragraphs 2003, 2005, 2006, 2008 and 2011 of Chapter XIV, Title VII, Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Relating to the Construction of Sewers, Water Works and Lighting Plants by Cities and Towns; the Assessment of the Cost thereof on Property Benefitted and the Issuance of Bonds to Represent Such Assessment. Emergency—Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

62. H. B. 31.—An Act Establishing a State Library with a Law and Legislative Reference Bureau, Providing for the Appointment of a Board of Curators and Librarian, Defining their Duties and Making an Appropriation therefor. Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

63. S. B. 105.—An Act to amend Paragraph 3230, Chapter II, Title XV, Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Relating to Fees and Salaries of County and Other Officers by adding thereto a Paragraph to be Known as Paragraph 3230-A. Emergency—Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

64. H. B. 120.—An Act to Confer Upon Police Courts within Counties of the First and Third Class Concurrent Jurisdiction over all Matters, Criminal and Civil Arising within the Precinct where said Cities are Situated with Justices of the Peace in said Precincts. Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

65. H. B. 65.—An Act to amend Paragraph 3238, Chapter II, Title XV, Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Relating to Salaries of Officers of Counties of the Eleventh Class. Emergency—Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

66. H. B. 10.—An Act to amend Paragraph 3236, Chapter II, Title XV, Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Entitled "Fees and Salaries of County and Other Officers." Emergency—Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

67. H. B. 6.—An Act to amend Paragraph 3654, Chapter II, Title XXIX, of the Revised Statutes of Arizona, 1913, Civil Code, Relating to Liens on Mines and Mining Claims, and Exempting Claims under Bond and Lease From the Provisions thereof by Complying with Certain Conditions herein Provided for. Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

68. H. B. 81.—An Act Providing for the Sinking of an Experimental Artesian Well for Water Near Franklin, in Greenlee County, Arizona, for the Encouragement of Agriculture in the Arid Sections of the State. Became law without Governor's signature March 24, 1915.

**RATES ABNORMALLY LOW**

CHICAGO, March 26.—The present freight rates on perishable goods for the West are described as abnormally low and as tending to impoverish the railroads, according to the testimony of J. S. Hershey, general freight agent of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe. The witness declared that it is more profitable for the roads to haul gas pipe than watermelons.

## EXCITING MAN HUNT NOW IN PROGRESS

(From Friday's Daily.)

A sensational man hunt was still in progress up to a late hour last night, led by Sheriff Young and Deputy Sheriff Dial for Joe Kure, an Austrian, who after stabbing to death a countryman and fellow-miner named Nick Smylmovich, escaped from Blue Bell mine near Mayer where the murder occurred.

The stabbing, which took place in the bunkhouse at the Blue Bell about 6 o'clock Wednesday evening was the result of the breaking of a gun belonging to Joe Kure by Smylmovich. The two were examining the weapon and while in the hands of Smylmovich, the gun which is a 30-30 Winchester, was caught in a doorway and the stock broken off at the barrel. A dispute over payment for the damage done the gun, which followed, was seemingly ended, when Kure returned to his bunk. Smylmovich, who remained in the front part of the building, which is a combined barber shop and reading room for the men, jestingly called back to Kure at his bunk to come out and fight. The miners sitting in the room thought the affair was settled and were surprised to see Kure rush into the barber shop and grapple with Smylmovich. In the fight that followed nothing much could be seen as both men moved rapidly. They worked their way out on the porch, which is at the front of the bunkhouse, and from there to the ground. It was then seen that Kure had a small pocket knife with which he stabbed Smylmovich in the abdomen three times, and when one of the miners went to separate them, Kure escaped. Smylmovich, who was bleeding badly, three arteries in the groin being severed, died inside of twenty minutes.

Kure who took to the hills south of the camp left in his shirt sleeves and that was the last that was seen of him.

After an examination of a number of witnesses which lasted until midnight the coroner's jury returned a verdict of "death from stab wounds by a knife held in the hands of Joe Kure with intent to kill."

The coroner's inquest was held by Ward H. Wheeler, justice of the peace and coroner of Mayer precinct. Immediately after the verdict Assistant County Attorney Morgan swore to a complaint charging Kure with the crime of murder and a warrant for his arrest was issued by Justice of the Peace Wheeler and placed in the hands of Sheriff Young, who with Deputy Dial, started out immediately on the trail of the fugitive.

The rifle, the cause of the quarrel, and the pocket knife which was left on the ground near the scene of the tragedy, are both being held as evidence at the sheriff's office.

Smylmovich, the deceased, was an Austrian miner aged about 24 years and has relatives, an uncle and a cousin at Humboldt.

Kure, the defendant, is 22 years of age, boyish looking and has light hair. He has worked at the Vulture mine and many other places in the county and has been employed at the Blue Bell for about a month. His father also is employed at the same place.

**BIG SILICA DYKE TO BE EXPOSED**

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Cort Simmons leaves today for Granite mountain district, to establish a camp and begin exploring an immense dyke located east of and near Tonto Springs, which carries high grade silica. In former operations but little development had been given, but the analysis made showed a 95 per cent grade. Two claims are in the group, and one point has an immense outcrop, which has every indication of being solely of a silicious nature so far as opened up.

One of the advantages of the property is that it is located within four miles of the railroad, and a wagon road can conveniently be built to the camp. After determining the extent and quality of the deposit, Simmons will take up shipping to smelters that desire this product for fluxing ores.

**YAVAPAI MINES BRING MANY INVESTORS**

(From Friday's Daily.)

The number of mining engineers coming into this field to make examinations of properties, was further increased yesterday when T. J. Laird of Groom creek, stated there were five in that locality making observations. Two of this profession have gone into Copper Basin, two are now in the Turkey creek country, and the Bradshaw country is being looked over by half a dozen more. At least eight deals are pending for gold, copper, and zinc-lead mines.

It is stated by some of the visitors that if the European war lasts for another year, capital will be eager to invest in even a prospect. Eighteen cents for copper broke thirty days was the prediction made by Seth W. Wilson, an engineer of Michigan, who is returning home from the Squaw Peak district, near Camp Verde.

## WAR TAX STAMPS INDICATE BIG MINE DEAL

(From Friday's Daily.)

Ernest Le Duc, Charles Batre and J. Oreckovsky of Duluth, Minn., who have recently become interested in Arizona copper mining under the name of the Big Ledge Development Company of Arizona, according to deeds filed at the county recorder's office yesterday have acquired mining claims in the Agua Fria district, south of Humboldt about six miles near the Pick and Shovel mine, and the holdings of Jules Baumann, which war tax stamps attached to the deeds show to be worth \$200,000. It is the intention of the company to begin development work in the near future.

The smallest deed which was from Dell Riggins of Yavapai to J. Oreckovsky of Duluth, Minn., amounted to \$20,000 worth of mining claims in the Agua Fria mining district and included the Gold Crown, Gold Ring, Copper Spring, Copper Kettle, and Copper Boy.

The second deed valued at \$60,000 which was from J. Oreckovsky of Duluth to the Big Ledge Development Company of Arizona included the Gold Crown, Gold Ring, Copper Springs, Copper Kettle and Copper Boy all of the Agua Fria district.

The third and largest deed was that of the Big Ledge Mining Company of Arizona to the Big Ledge Development Company of Arizona, in which the following mining claims of the Agua Fria district were sold: The Lotty, the Anna Belle, the Gray Eagle, the Flora, the Bee, the Copper Blossom, the Copper Chief, the Pick and Shovel, the Rain Bow, the Bee Nest, the Gray Horse, the Star Light, the Iron Junction, the Aztec, the Morning Star, the Gold Dust, the Mountain View, the Lookout, the Iron Springs, the Silver Leaf, the Danie, the Fire Place, Earnest Agnes, and Clara.

In this transaction the group of the Pick and Drill Company is taken over and the affairs of the Big Ledge have undergone a complete reorganization. Those participating in this movement were E. LeDuc, Charles Batre, Dr. D. D. Murray, and J. Oreckovsky, of the Big Ledge Co., and Dr. Nestor A. Young of Los Angeles, the latter representing the Pick and Drill Company. President LeDuc of the Big Ledge Company, stated yesterday that preliminary matters were under consideration for carrying out a very exhaustive line of deep development. Drills are to be introduced, and a camp was established a few days ago. Engineers are to make observations and select places where exploration is to be carried out. It was his belief that inside of thirty days the affairs of the company will be in full swing.

"We propose to carry out a line of systematic development, and our inspection of the consolidated holdings required nearly one week, in which possibilities were decidedly attractive for the making of a big property," he stated. The party is to return to Prescott early in April, when a crystallization of plans will take place. Mr. Batre, of the party, is well known in this field, and was formerly a resident of Prescott, when he followed the profession of a mining engineer.

The holdings of the Big Ledge cover 800 acres and the values are gold, copper and silver. This deal is a very important one for that field, and follows from the successes being made in that mineral belt, where is situated the Blue Bell, the Copper Queen and other mines that are in the producing stage.

**PALACE OF CHANCE PLANNED FOR NACO**

DOUGLAS, March 25.—The liquor business is prospering amazingly in Naco, Sonora, according to L. A. Brown, formerly a Bisbee saloonist, who under a special permit from the Maytorena government, now operates the largest saloon and gambling house in "Hill's Last Stand," says the Douglas Dispatch. Brown, who was here yesterday transacting business, said that he intends to break ground in the near future for a handsome east stone building 100x50 feet in which the International club will be located.

In the building the proprietor will have his saloon, gambling casino and a restaurant. In other words, he is preparing to catch 'em going and coming, leaving his patrons not even the necessity of going out of his place to eat.

"I had a hard time getting the men to operate my games, but the old boys who were put out of business when gambling ceased in Arizona are coming back. We have a great joke among ourselves about them, for they are all wearing glasses now. It used to be, during the days of gambling, that a new crop of dealers was coming on all the time, but now the old-timers are our sole dependence."

**DAM BREAKS**

ELLENBURG, Wash., March 26.—The old government dam at Lake Kaeches broke this morning and a wall of water 25 feet high is rushing in this direction. Residents along the river have been ordered to vacate their homes.